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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98,  
Applicants identify U.S. Patent No. 5,817,006 to Bergh, et al.  
(issued October 6, 1998) listed on the modified form PTO-1449  
accompanying this submission. A copy of the Bergh patent is  
enclosed. Applicants do not concede that the Bergh patent  
constitutes prior art within the meaning of the United States  
patent laws.

Applicants are submitting this paper within three  
months of filing the application and accordingly believe no fee  
is due. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1). Applicants also submit this  
paper prior to receipt of an initial Office Action concerning the  
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reason as well. See id. § 1.97(b)(3). If Applicants' beliefs are mistaken, however, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to debit deposit account No. 11-0855 for any such fee presently due.

Respectfully submitted,



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